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Statement from Dr. Brandon J. Hill, President and CEO, Planned Parenthood Great Plains, on Missouri abortion access

"Women seeking abortion services in Missouri already face tremendous burdens — having to travel hundreds of miles, *twice*, to access care. The state's hostile political environment and medically unnecessary abortion restrictions have already forced the end of abortion services in mid-Missouri, and we are deeply concerned that, very soon, abortion may be inaccessible for women in our state.

"Let us be crystal clear for any patients experiencing uncertainty as a result of the state's relentless attempts to push health care out of reach: Planned Parenthood's doors are open, we continue to provide a full range of sexual and reproductive health services in communities across Missouri, and we are here to help patients navigate all options even if that means traveling to another state until abortion services resume in Missouri.

"Abortion is safe and constitutionally protected health care. People in all corners of our state should be profoundly troubled by the extreme and dangerous agenda that politicians are pushing in Missouri."

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Planned Parenthood Great Plains has been a leading provider of sexual and reproductive health care for more than 85 years, serving women, men, and families in communities across Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Each year, we provide care to nearly 30,000 people in our 11 health centers and reach nearly 5,500 people through our comprehensive sex education programming. We believe that every person deserves to have access to the resources and information they need in order to make decisions about their own health.